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My name is Joseph Thomas Mier. Born August 15, 1961. My mother is Lucinda Welcome, father Mervin Lee Shananaquet. For reasons unknown to me, I was put up for adoption in 1963 and raised off res. However, the family that raised me and my sister were dairy farmers. Taught us honesty, integrity and to respect the land and animals that gave us our living. With this being said I decided to run for a seat on Tribal Council.

Through the years I've been blessed to get life experiences that most people take for granted. Things like leadership training, team networking, health and wellbeing of numerous people. I've traveled to many different reservations and talked with elders from many tribes. I have the teaching of the seven grandfathers that have lead me through life.

With your help I would like to bring my knowledge and fresh ideas to our tribe. We need people who listen to our tribal members and have communication skills to ascend our tribe to the level where we have greatness for all our people. Young and old alike need to have a voice and I with your help would like to be that voice.